



GRANT RECIPIENT
TOWN OF SCHERERVILLE
PARK DEPARTMENT

YEAR
2009

COUNTY
LAKE

CATEGORY
LOW COST CONSTRUCTION

GRANT AWARD
\$30,000

LOCAL SHARE
\$30,000



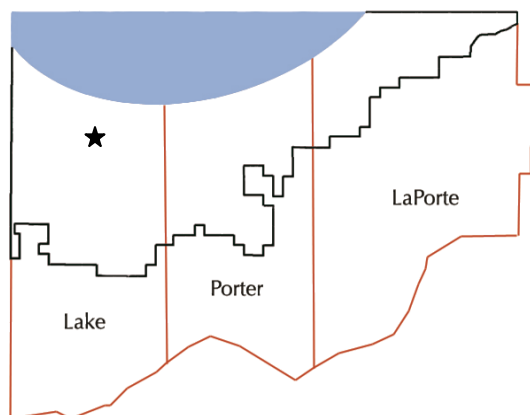
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Scherwood Environmental Enhancement Plan

The project has involved the restoration and enhancement of four areas on the west side of Scherwood Park. The 9 acre park site was acquired in 2004. Recent improvements have included the addition of a parking lot and a paved trail and relocation of a historic log cabin. The proposed project also includes restoration of an existing channel, heirloom landscaping enhancements for the historic 1847 Hilbrich log cabin, woodland restoration, and other landscaping enhancements, including a butterfly garden.

The current Park and Recreation Master Plan is to improve the site landscaping and detention areas. The goal of this project is to restore and enhance the identified sections of the park to a more natural state through the use of native landscaping. The restoration efforts are so that park users will have a more diverse experience, reduce park maintenance, provide habitat for wildlife, and improve water quality. The project will also educate the public by incorporating signage identifying the different plant species. The current Park and Recreation Master Plan lists improvements to the site landscaping, log cabin and drainage area in the action plan. The landscaping will be reflective of the time period of the first settlers. In addition, the project includes riparian restoration of an existing channel and detention basin, additional woodland restoration, and other landscaping enhancements.



RESULT: Restored and enhanced identified regions of the park to a more natural state through the use of native landscaping.